

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Washington, DC 20463

MAR 23 1999

Luigi A. Vernola 12218 Bombardier Avenue Norwalk, CA 90650

RE:

MUR 4749

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Dear Mr. Vernola:

On May 22, 1998, the Federal Election Commission (the "Commission") notified you of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act").

On March 10, 1999, the Federal Election Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint and information provided by you, that there is reason to believe that you violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1)(A) with respect to the making of an excessive in-kind contribution to the Napolitano for Congress Committee. However, after considering the circumstances, the Commission determined to take no further action against you regarding this finding and closed the file in this matter. The General Counsel's Report, which formed a basis for the Commission's finding, is attached for your information.

The Commission reminds you that the making of excessive in-kind contributions is a violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441a(f). You should take steps to ensure that this activity does not occur in the future.

The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. In addition, although the complete file must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the file may be placed on the public record before receiving your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record upon receipt.

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If you have any questions, please contact Robert Knop, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Scott E. Thomas

Chairman

Enclosure
General Counsel's Report